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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re : **Mark Brudnak** :
Application No. : 09/872,615 :
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Title : **COMPOSITION AND METHOD FOR INCREASING EXORPHIN
CATABOLISM TO TREAT AUTISM (as amended)**
Examiner : Francisco Chandler Prats :
Group Art Unit: 1651

AMENDMENT AND REPLY

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Examiner:

In response to the final Office Action mailed October 15, 2003, kindly amend the subject application as follows.

 Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.